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## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please REPLACE the section beginning on p. 13, line 5, with the following:

—The presence of endotoxin may routinely be measured using, for example, a kinetic chromogenic method. The assay involves a complete set of enzyme reactions which are described in detail in the following publications, each of which is hereby incorporated by reference.

Endosafe Limulus Amebocyte Lysate Endochrome K ™ ENDOSAFE

LIMULUS AMEBOCYTE LYSATE ENDOCHROME\_K™ package insert.

(Endosafe, Charleston, SC)

Pearson III, F., *Pyrogens/Endotoxins, LAL Testing and Depyrogenation*, 1985. Watson, S., Levin, J., and Novitsky, T., *Progress in Clinical and Biological Research*, Endotoxins and their detection with the Limulus Amebocyte Lysate Test, 93.--